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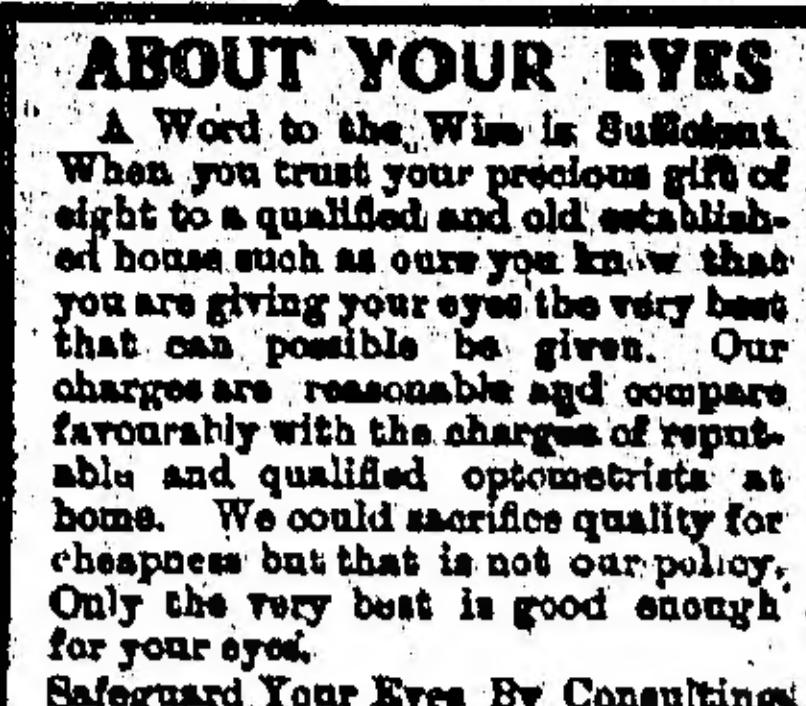
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## CHINESE LEADERS ISSUE NEW YEAR MESSAGES: GEN. CHIANG'S STIRRING CALL TO MORAL REARMAMENT

### KWANTI RACE PICTURES

Photographs of the Kwanti race meeting appearing in the Hongkong Daily Press may be viewed at the offices of this paper, third floor, Marina House, and prints may be obtained at the prices of \$1 for three copies.

### CONFIDENCE IN VICTORY FOR CHINA

CHUNGKING, Jan. 2 (Central)—Confidence in China's ultimate victory was reiterated by Gen. Chen Cheng, Director of the Political Board of the National Military Council, in a New Year message.

Declaring that China's resistance represents a progressive and revolutionary force of the world, Gen. Chen said that the small number of Japanese militarists cannot win in a fight against the entire Chinese nation and the world.

"However strong the Japanese militarists may be, they cannot halt the wheel of social progress. The will for existence and independence of the 450,000,000 Chinese cannot be bent by Japan's planes and artillery."

Discussing the question of peace, Gen. Chen remarked that genuine peace must be based upon justice. "Unless we allow ourselves and our descendants to be enslaved we cannot accept false peace which leads only to national subjugation."

Continuing, Gen. Chen declared that the Sino-Japanese war will end only when China's Revolution which, as pointed out by the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, is aimed at her freedom and equality has been brought to successful conclusion, or "when China restores her territorial and sovereign integrity," as can be achieved within two more Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek put years.

### Gen. Wu Te-chen's Message To Chinese People Abroad

CHUNGKING, Jan. 2 (Central)—"In spite of the fact that China is now facing the greatest menace to her national existence, her citizens abroad have throughout the hostilities shown surprisingly great restraint, yet at the same time, they have demonstrated their patriotism by their generous contributions," declared Gen. Wu Te-chen, who has just assumed the post of Director of Overseas Affairs, in a New Year message to the Chinese scattered all over the world.

Gen. Wu, who is ex-mayor of days is due in no small measure to Shanghai and former Civil Governor of Kwangtung, the part played by Chinese labourers in building the transcontinental railway on both sides of the border; while the present advanced Chinese on the part of foreign government of the Malaya Peninsula and governments has helped to bring other places in the South Seas about this happy state of affairs.

Gen. Wu pointed out that his and industry of Chinese pioneers task is to give proper guidance and captains of industry to their countrymen abroad, who are known everywhere as an industrious and law-abiding people whose only desire is to be permitted to carry on their pursuits in peace free from harsh restrictions. He exhorted the overseas Chinese to do their utmost to cooperate with the authorities in the countries where they are carrying on their pursuits.

### CHINESE PIONEERS

"My overseas compatriots, many of whom are suffering untold hardships in distant corners of the world, although some are extremely successful, have contributed to the economic prosperity of the countries where they now choose to live. I need only point out that the development of the United States and Canada in the early

CHUNGKING, Jan. 2 (Central)—New Year's Day, which coincides with the 29th anniversary of the establishment of the Chinese Republic, provided an occasion for a stirring call from Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to the nation to moral rearmament.

The Generalissimo's message, which was broadcast over a nationwide hookup in his capacity as Chairman of the People's Spiritual Mobilization Movement, enjoins the entire people to redouble their efforts in consuming the final goal of the Movement, namely the early attainment of victory and national reconstruction.

Generalissimo Chiang pointed out the strength of spiritual over material power as exemplified in numerous instances in China's revolutionary history. Dr. Sun, the late Party Leader, overcame insuperable difficulties and founded the Chinese Republic not by physical force, but by sheer will and spiritual determination.

### A JUST CAUSE

The nation is now encountering difficulties unprecedented in its history of 5,000 years both as regards the war against aggression and the task of national reconstruction. Only the combined spiritual strength of the entire people, tempered and fired by determination and perseverance, will conquer the tremendous hardships and assure eventual prevalence of our just cause."

"There is every indication," the Generalissimo said, "that failing in the third year of her China adventure militarily, Japan will intensify her 'moral offensive' also a failure in the past—also poison the will power of the Chinese people.

"The only retort we shall give to the enemy is further strengthening of our spiritual

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### China's Unification Under Gen. Chiang's Leadership: Pai Chung - Hsi's Message

KWEILIN, JAN. 2 (CENTRAL)—THE NEW YEAR WAS JUBILANTLY CELEBRATED IN KWEILIN YESTERDAY. THE STREETS WERE GAILY BEDECKED WITH FLAGS AND COLOURED POSTERS.

Thousands of people attended a meeting held at the Kwangsi Provincial Government Headquarters in the morning to celebrate the New Year and the inauguration of the Kwangsi Branch of the National Association for the Promotion of Savings for Reconstruction.

### New Year Celebrated In Chungking

CHUNGKING, Jan. 2 (Central)—A festive atmosphere permeated the wartime capital yesterday when the populace celebrated the New Year. The entire city was festooned and decorated with lanterns. All offices and schools declared one day's holiday.

The occasion was the cause for greater joy as it marked the 29th anniversary of the founding of the Republic of China.

At 9 a.m. celebration meetings were held in 61 places in the city. This was followed by a review of the city's Boy Scouts and the police force.

One of the most interesting events of the day was a mass wedding conducted by the Bureau of Social Affairs.

In the evening, amusements were held by cultural organisations.

### 50 PLANES FOR CHINA

SHANGHAI, Jan. 2 (Int'l)—The Ryan Aeronautical Corporation in San Diego announced that it has been awarded a \$550,000 contract for the construction of 50 military planes for the Chinese Government. The planes are to be delivered within seven months.

Much speculation was aroused by the simultaneous reports that the production will be made through a British bank in London.

### BRITISH ENVOY ARRIVES IN H.K.

Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, arrived in Hongkong yesterday from Shanghai en route to Chungking, where he is to confer with the Chinese Government on outstanding issues. Lady Clark Kerr accompanied her husband.

Sir Archibald was attended by his Private Secretary, Mr. John Alexander, and Mr. P. M. Broadmead, Counsellor of the Embassy. A Central News message from Shanghai states that Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, U.S. Ambassador to China, left Peiping on Dec. 31 for Shanghai, and was expected to arrive there yesterday. After a brief stopover at Shanghai, he will go on to Chungking via Hong-



Admiral Sir Charles James Colebrooke Little, K.C.B., former Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, who married his cousin, Mary Little, at Westminster Abbey on New Year's Day. Sir Charles was born in Shanghai. His first wife died in May last year.

## H.K. HARBOUR "BLOCKADE" FOR FIVE HOURS: RESULT OF ALARM GIVEN BY OFF-SHORE PATROLS

SPECULATION RAN HIGH YESTERDAY WHEN AN ORDER WAS ISSUED BY THE LOCAL NAVAL AUTHORITIES closing the harbour to all shipping, and the air was full of wild rumours of German armed raiders or submarines being in the vicinity of the Colony.

These unfounded reports soon faded away, however, when at 4 p.m. the order which was issued at 11 o'clock in the morning, was rescinded by the Naval authorities, and movement of shipping in the harbour returned to normal, after a "blockade" of five hours.

Efforts to ascertain the reason for the sudden order and the amount of shipping affected by it, proved futile as neither the Naval authorities nor the Harbour officials were disposed to discuss the issue.

It is believed, however, that the departure of several ships from Hongkong was delayed and that three ships were held up outside the harbour waiting admission denial of this.

### 3,000 More Australian Airmen To Go Abroad

MEELBOURNE, Jan. 2 (Reuters)—Three thousand more Australian airmen would go abroad this year, said Mr. V. Fairbairn, Air Minister, in an interview on his return from the Empire Air Training Conference in Canada.

Members of the Australian Air Force abroad would be grouped into squadrons with Australian commanders, and members of the R.A.F. would go to Australia for exchange duty.

Mr. Fairbairn appealed to young Australians to enlist and not to be disheartened if they are not called up immediately. He added: "There is an awful lot of tripe talked about Germany cracking up. She won't until we exert full pressure."

### GERMAN LINER WINDHUK

RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan. 2 (Reuters)—The departure of the 18,000-ton German liner Windhuk from Santos in an attempt to elude the British blockade is expected hourly.

The vessel arrived a month ago from Lombo where, it is reported, she was refitted and armed and considerably increased her complement of men.

### FIGHTING CONTINUES IN KWANGTUNG: SURPRISE ATTACK MADE BY CHINESE

SHIJIUHENG, Jan. 2 (Central)—A thousand Japanese troops attacked Painsai, Cheknai, and Kwoktai, points west and south-west of Kuntien, on the Canton-Hankow Railway, on Sunday morning.

When the vigour of the attack was spent at noon, the Chinese launched a counter-attack and inflicted heavy casualties.

A Chinese surprise attack at Sheklenlung, south-west of Lungmoon, 80 miles north-east of Canton, on Saturday resulted in many Japanese being killed. The Japanese are said to be withdrawing in a south-westerly direction.

FANCHENG, HUPEH, Jan. 2 (Central)—Chinese forces have tightened their grip on Yuchiati, north-west of Yingshan, in North Hupeh. Japanese reinforcements have been beaten back.

500 CASUALTIES

LOYANG, Jan. 2 (Central)—The Chinese continue their offensives in South and South-East Shensi.

They have regained Changtien, south of Halahtien, in south Shensi, and are now attacking Chungnanwutsun and Kuanmiaschien.

To the east of Halahtien, the Chinese are steadily pressing back the Japanese at Changtienchen.

The Japanese at Yokow, Fengshih, Mayantian and Taotian.

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### CAUSE OF ALARM BEING INVESTIGATED

The following communiqué was issued by the Far Eastern Bureau, British Ministry of Information, Hongkong:

The Naval authorities state that the port of Hongkong was closed this morning as part of the necessary defence preparations of the Colony in time of war. This step was taken as the result of an alarm being given by the off-shore patrols.

The cause of this alarm is being investigated by the Navy.

## No Japanese Troops On The Border

### FORMER C.M.C. RE-OPENED

Once more the Chinese national flag is flying along the territory bordering the Colony following the withdrawal of all the Japanese troops from that area on Sunday, and the former Chinese Maritime Customs and other Chinese Government establishments have been re-opened and re-staffed by Chinese.

Chinese who had crossed the border in hundred after the Japanese occupation in August are returning to their former homes, but so far no Chinese military forces have been seen in the zone.

The local military authorities, when interviewed by the Daily Press yesterday, had no statement to make besides confirming that all the Japanese troops had been withdrawn from the border zone.

It is reported that His Excellency the Governor visited the border on Sunday following the Japanese withdrawal.

An International News Agency message states that Chinese country guards are returning to Shum-chun to garrison the town and Po On district, following the evacuation of Japanese forces, who are being sent to the North River front.

Weariness of war and scepticism as to when the Japanese soldiers will be able to return home were written down in diaries left behind by Japanese troops. These diaries were half torn and discarded.

### BROADCAST OF SALVO PARTLY RESPONSIBLE

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 2 (Reuters)—An American broadcasting reporter was partly responsible for the start of yesterday's attack on the Mannerheim Line in the Karelian Isthmus, according to the Stockholm correspondent of the Tidningen.

The reporter, in order to provide New Year's Eve with some local colour broadcast, placed the microphone near a Finnish battery which obligingly fired a heavy salvo wherupon the Russians believing that the Finns are preparing for an attack opened an artillery barrage and themselves attacked.

A report was received last night from Taipo of an armed robbery at No. 28, Om Fu Road, ground floor. It is learned there were six robbers armed with revolvers.

DUNEDIN, Jan. 2 (Reuters)—After a brief stay here Rear-Admiral Richard Byrd left for the Antarctic.



Above, left, are Mr. Gray, Miss Anne Tyler, Mr. Chattey, Capt. Burn and Mr., and Mrs. A. H. R. Butcher, while in the picture on the right may be seen Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Kerr, Mrs. Bertie Oliver, and Lieut.-Comdr. and Mrs. Marriott, R.N. The pictures were taken at the Boxing Day race meeting held at Kwanti.



## CAPT. SEQUEIRA WINS NETT SPOON AT STONECUTTERS: H.K.R.A. SATURDAY SHOOT

There was a good gathering at Stonecutters on Saturday last, thirty-five attending. The day was fair, wind being more or less down the range, but the light was not so good at 500 yards and worse at 600 yards.

Shooting was quite good, Capt. F. P. Sequeira, of the Volunteers, winning the Nett Spoon with 98. He was very unlucky at 600 yards as he wanted 34 for his century and started off with 5 bulls, but the light was getting bad and he ended with a magpie and inner.

Sgt. R. J. Heap, of the Range Staff, won the S.R. (a) spoon with 85, quite a good effort as it is sometime since he fired with S.R. (a) rifle.

Handicap spoons were won by Cpl. A. F. Ferreira, H.K.V.D.C. S.R. (a) and Mr. A. Simpson D.R.C. S.R. (b).

Today (Wednesday) at the Kowloon City Range, firing will be at 200, 500 and 600 yards commencing at 1.45 p.m., and there will also be revolver shooting.

### THE SCORES

Scores were as follows:—

S.R. (b)	H.P. 200 600 600 TL
Capt. F. P.	Sequeira
Sgt. G. E. Brees	9 32 31 32 98*
Mr. J. G. Bates	3 32 31 32 95

## CENTURY FOR ANDERSON

### Annual University Match Drawn

Feature of the annual University Past v. Present cricket played at Pokfulam on New Year's Day was the century of D.J.N. Anderson, who hit 17 fours.

Past made 234 for seven wickets, but thanks to a stand by G. Hong Choy (23) and W. S. Gegg (43) and useful scores by Lingam and Mahmoud, the Undergraduates managed to play out time with the last wicket intact.

The scores:

Past	Anderson	G. Hong Choy	W. S. Gegg	Lingam	Mahmoud
100	100	100	100	100	100
17	17	23	43	23	23
20	20	20	20	20	20
234	234	234	234	234	234

RE-ARRANGED FOOTBALL PROGRAMME

### RE-ARRANGED GAMES

Owing to the replay of the Senior Shield Soccer game the following changes in this week's programme has been necessary.

The following games have been postponed.

Club v. Kowloon.

Royal Scots v. South China "B".

Senior Shield (First Round).

Club v. Royal Scots, Club, 4 p.m. Referee:—Foster, Linesmen:—Ient and Lee.

FIRST DIVISION

Kowloon v. South China "B" (Kowloon, 4 p.m. Referee:—Ford. Linesmen:—Pearson and Adlard).

Extra time must be played in all Shield games.

### ARMY TEAM TO MEET NAVY

The following have been selected to represent the Army v. The Navy on the Navy Ground, Causeway Bay, on Saturday. Kick Off at 4 p.m.

L/Cpl. Fiction, R.E.; L/Bdr. Richards, R.A.; L/Cpl. Waite, R.E.; Sgt. Lang, R.A.O.C.; Lieut. Skipwith, R.A.; Capt. Hook, R.A.; Lt. May, D.L.I.; Lieut. Hewitt, Mds. R. & Cpl. Beddoes, D.L.I.; Corp. Sutherland, R.S.; Pte. Berry, Mds. R.; Lieut. Pinkerton, R.S.; Capt. Duke, R.S.; Lieut. Cuthbertson, R.S.; Lieut. Ridgdale, R.N. Regt.

Reserves: — Sapper, Art'ngstall, R.E.; L/Cpl. Boe, R.S.; Sgt. Page, R.A.; L/Bdr. Evans, R.A.

Players are requested to be on the ground by 3.45 p.m.

### NAVY "A" V. CLUB A AT RUGGER TODAY

The following have been selected to play for the Navy "A" vs Club "A" today, on the Hongkong Club Ground, kick off at 4.45 p.m.

Writer: Snell; Marine Jeffries

Midshipman Teare, Sub-Lieut.

Richards, S. B. A. Addis; Midshipman O'Riordan, A. N. Other; Cpl.

Marron, S. B. A. Davis, Ldr. Sig.

Inglis, A. B. Longmuir, L. S. Spirit.

Surg. Lieut. Duncan, L. S. Jones

Midshipman Murray Jones

Reserves: — A. B. Newburn, L. S.

Wilkie, Pay. Midshipman Summer,

Tel. Faulkner.

### H.K. HOCKEY CLUB TEAM FOR TODAY

The following team will represent the 1st XI of the Hongkong Hockey Club against the Royal Engineers on the Club ground today at 5 p.m.: V. M. Benwell, V. C. Bond and E. V. Reed; N. B. Whitley, W. A. Reed and R. A. Bates; S. Fowler, D. S. Carey, G. E. R. Divett, (Capt.), T. D. Whitley, B. I. Blackford.

## Services And Rest Draw

### SPLENDID CHARITY SOCCER MATCH

A draw of two goals all was a very fitting result of the charity football match between the Rest of the Colony and the United Services in aid of the British War Organisation Fund, which attracted a large crowd to the Navy ground, Causeway Bay, on Monday afternoon.

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith), Hon. Sir Shouson Chow and Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall were among those present. The ball used in the match was raffled; the winning number being 1578.

### THREE ABSENTEES

Fung King-cheong, Leung Wing-chin and Lee Tin-sang were absentees from the Rest team, their places being filled by Cheuk Shek-kam, Maxwell and Hou Yung-sang, respectively. Maxwell was very impressive at right-half.

A feature of the match was the splendid combination of the Services forwards particularly Hosack and Saw. Thorburn, inside-right, was a constant worker and gave the defence invaluable assistance providing a fourth half-back. Robinson, in goal was safe, while Hill and Hendy offered stout resistance to the wiles of the Rest attack ably led by Lee Walton and reinforced by A.V. Gosano who played a really good game.

Cheung Wing-choi gave a rousing display in goal bringing off brilliant saves time and again.

### THE PLAY

In the first half, Thorburn opened the scoring for the Services Lee equalising. Hosack gave the Services the lead with a good effort. The Rest did not draw level until after the interval when Lee netted from a penalty which was awarded after Gosano had been brought down heavily by the Services defender. Both sides went near to scoring and there were many exciting moments in the closing stages of the game.

### THE TEAMS

The teams were:—Rest of Colony: Cheung Wing-choi; Blackburn, Hou Yung-sang; Maxwell, Forrow, Hsu King-sing; F. Fowler, Cheuk Shek-kam, Lee Wai-tong, A. V. Gosano and Hau Ching-to.

United Services: Robinson; Hill, Hendy; Freshwater, Layl, Wilkinson; Phipps, Thorburn, Hosack, Saw and Duffield.

Before the match and during the interval music was rendered by the Middlesex Regiment band and at the conclusion of the match the National Anthem was played bringing to an end a most enjoyable afternoon's sport.

### H.K. BOWLING ALLEYS

At the Hongkong Bowling Alleys on Sunday evening the U.S.S. Asheville defeated the U.S.S. Mindanao by 256 points in a friendly five-game bowling match.

The Asheville thus avenged their previous defeat by the Mindanao on Dec. 29, when they lost by 126 points.

U.S.S. Asheville: M. O. Gray 795, C. G. Cunningham 772, J. A. Harvey 757 and L. S. Pawloski 742. Total 3066.

U.S.S. Mindanao: F. P. Hollis 794, S. Golden 753, E. L. Elmer 650 and L. J. Attwood 613. Total 2,810.

### WIN FOR MOLTHEN

At the Hongkong Bowling Alleys last night Doc. Molthen (plus 9) beat S. A. Iannai (plus 25) by 84 pins in the third round of the Handicap Singles competition.

Scores:

Doc. Molthen, 205, 225, 177. Total 607. S. A. Iannai, 133, 163, 180. Total 523.

## NEW YEAR'S DAY SOCCER AT HOME

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The following were the results of football matches played at home on New Year's Day:

### SOUTH "A"

Charlton 2, Arsenal 6.

### SOUTH "B"

Queen's P.R. 3, Reading 0.

### EAST MIDLAND

Doncaster 1, Sheffield U. 2.

### WESTERN

St. Mirren 3, Kilmarnock 3.

### SCOTTISH

Airdrie 1, Albion 4.

### WESTERN

Ayr 2, Queen's O.S.Th. 1.

### RANGERS

Rangers 1, Celtic 1.

### DUNBARTON

Dunbarston 3, Morton 2.

### PARTICK

Partick 3, Clyde 2.

### ST. MIRREN

St. Mirren 3, Kilmarnock 3.

### QUEEN'S PARK

Queen's Park 4, Third Lanark 2.

### EASTERN

Alloa 3, Sten'muir 1.

### BLACKBURN

Blackburn 4, Huddersfield 2.

### ARBOATH

Arbroath 2, Aberdeen 1.

### DUNDEE

Dundee U. 2, Dundee 1.

### DUNFERMLINE

Dunfermline 3, Cowdenbeath 1.

### FALKIRK

Falkirk 4, St. Johnstone 0.

### CARLISLE

Carlisle 2, Bradford C. 2.

### MANCHESTER U. 1

Manchester U. 1, Blackpool 4.

### MIDDLEBRO

Middlebro' 5, Newcastle 2.

### MANCHESTER U. 2

Manchester U. 2, King's Pk. postponed.

## FREE FORESTERS BEAT H.K.C.C. DECISIVELY

PLAYING THEIR FIRST GAME AS A CLUB IN HONGKONG. Free Foresters beat the Hongkong Cricket Club decisively by 126 runs in a two days' cricket match completed on Monday.

Leading by 147 runs on first innings, Free Foresters declared their second innings closed when they had scored 132 for 5. To the Free Foresters' 279 and 132 for five wickets Club could reply only with 172 and 113. P. T. Skipworth's 70 for Free 9-2-35-2; McLellan 8-1-42-4; Finnigan 8-1-20-1.

Free Foresters' 2nd Innings: Capt. D. C. E. Grose, c and b J. L. C. Pearce 36; A. E. Perry, c Bosanquet 36; T. A. Pearce 44; F. T. Skipworth 44; Robb 70; Capt. C. E. Godby, b J. L. C. Pearce 36; A. E. Perry 44; F. T. Skipworth 44; Robb 70; Capt. C. E. Godby, b J. L. C. Pearce 36; A. E. Perry 44; F. T. Skipworth 44; Robb 70; Capt. C. E. Godby, b J. L. C. Pearce 36; A. E. Perry 44; F. T. Skipworth 44; Robb 70; Capt. C. E. Godby, b J. L. C. Pearce

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## COMING EVENTS

JAN.  
3-Tides: High 5:31 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Low 5:25 a.m. and 11:10 p.m. Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.; Sunset: 5:31 p.m. HKRA Shoot. YMCA Badminton. Ladies Working Party (B.W.O.F.) at Govt. House. St. John's Ambulance HQrs. First Aid Lecture, 5:30 p.m. Kowloon Hospital—First Aid Lecture, 5:30 p.m.

4-Tides: High 4:45 a.m. and 4:26 p.m. Low 10:10 a.m. Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.; Sunset: 5:31 p.m. Auxiliary Nursing Service—First Aid Lectures, commence at Royal Naval Hospital, 6 p.m.

5-M.C.A. Games Morning, 10 a.m. "Loloma" Kindergarten School re-opens.

St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship New Year's Party, 2:30 p.m. Theosophical Society Mtg.—6 p.m. Speaker—Mr. A. F. Knudsen on "Theosophy and Modern Needs". Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.; Sunset: 5:31 p.m.

6-Tides: High 5:33 a.m. and 6:18 p.m. Low 12:37 a.m. and 11:12 a.m. Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.; Sunset: 5:31 p.m. Claims against estate of Bernard Ernest Ablett due.

HK Chinese Women's Club Dinner in honour of Dr. Robert Lim, Chinese Merchants' Club, 7:30 p.m.

St. John's Ambulance HQrs—Home Nursing Lecture, 5:30 p.m.

6-Second Round of Stubb Shield Golf Competition due to be completed.

Claims against estate of Marion Gilchrist Roebert due.

H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote leave for Fanling Lodge. New Territories Agricultural Exhibition at Fanling.

HKRA Shoot.

7-New Territories Agricultural Exhibition at Fanling.

8-Universal Week of Prayer Commences Daily Services at St. John's Cathedral, 5:30 p.m.

Auxiliary Nursing Service—Home Nursing Lectures commence at Queen Mary Hospital, 6 p.m.

HKFA Council Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Kowloon Hospital, Home Nursing Lecture, 5:30 p.m.

9-Entries close for Colony Chess Championship.

Entries close for Fanling Races, 12 noon.

HK Rotary Club Tiffin Mtg., 1 p.m.

10-King's Theatre—Dancing Display, 5:10 p.m.

HKRA Shoot.

11-King's Theatre: Dancing Display, 5:10 p.m.

13-HKRA Shoot.

14-Semi-final of G. M. Young Golf Cup due for completion.

Macao Races.

17-HKRA Shoot.

19-Central British Assn. Dance.

20-HKRA Shoot.

REOCA Supper Dance.

21-Fanling Hunt and Race Club, Kwanti Races.

22-First HKV.D.C. Camp Starts at Fanling.

24-HKRA Shoot.

27-Third Round of Stubb Shield Golf Competition due to be completed.

HKRA Shoot.

28-HK Riding School Gymkhana, 10 a.m.

HKRA Shoot.

30-Second HKV.D.C. Camp Starts at Fanling.

31-HKRA Shoot.

"THE DRUM" AT THE MAJESTIC TOMORROW

London Films' production, "The Drum," which opens at the Majestic tomorrow directed by Zoltan Korda in Technicolor, is undoubtedly the most spectacular film yet made at Denham Studios. Dealing as it does with fighting on the North West Frontier of India, it has plenty of scope for movement and exciting scenes and every possible advantage has been taken to bring to vivid life in colour the grand situations in A. E. W. Mason's thrilling story.

This picture is not only remarkable for presenting some of the best battle scenes ever seen on the screen, but it proves the boy Sabu who made such a brilliant beginning in "Elephant Boy" to be an accomplished and fascinating new star with great historic ability.

In a brilliant and long cast, Raymond Massey, Roger Livesey and Valerie Hobson play leading parts.

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## GENERAL EXAMINATIONS ONLY A MEANS TO AN END

## What Makes A Good Music Teacher

"Music examinations should be a means to an end," said Mr. Michael Head who arrived in Ceylon recently to conduct the examinations of the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music.

Mr. Head was on arrival received by Mr. John A. Pye, Resident Secretary of the Board.

Speaking to a newspaper representative, Mr. Head said that to make a good music teacher one should have nothing to do with the syllabus. One should make a repertoire and the bigger the repertoire the better the teacher.

What was good in music examinations he said was that such examinations provided something definite to aim at. Examinations further encouraged people to learn good music, and they also gave musical entertainment.

It was not good for everyone to go in for examinations. There were a few, such as the nervous lot, who could be without taking up any examinations, but that was not for all.

A good music teacher, said Mr. Head, should be a good musician and possess ability as a performer. He or she need not be outstanding; but to be a good music teacher one should possess the gift of imparting knowledge.

## REVIVAL IN INDIA

Mr. Head said he understood that there were signs of a great revival in India in connection with music, art and dancing. During the last so many years it was thought "hardly respectable" to be a musician in India.

But now a movement was on foot which sought to revive music, art and dancing, and bring them to a high place in the cultural life of India.

Mr. Head who has had a strenuous tour of India was there since September 1. He started his examinations in various parts of India on September 4 ending up at Bombay. He gave a number of broadcast concerts in India.

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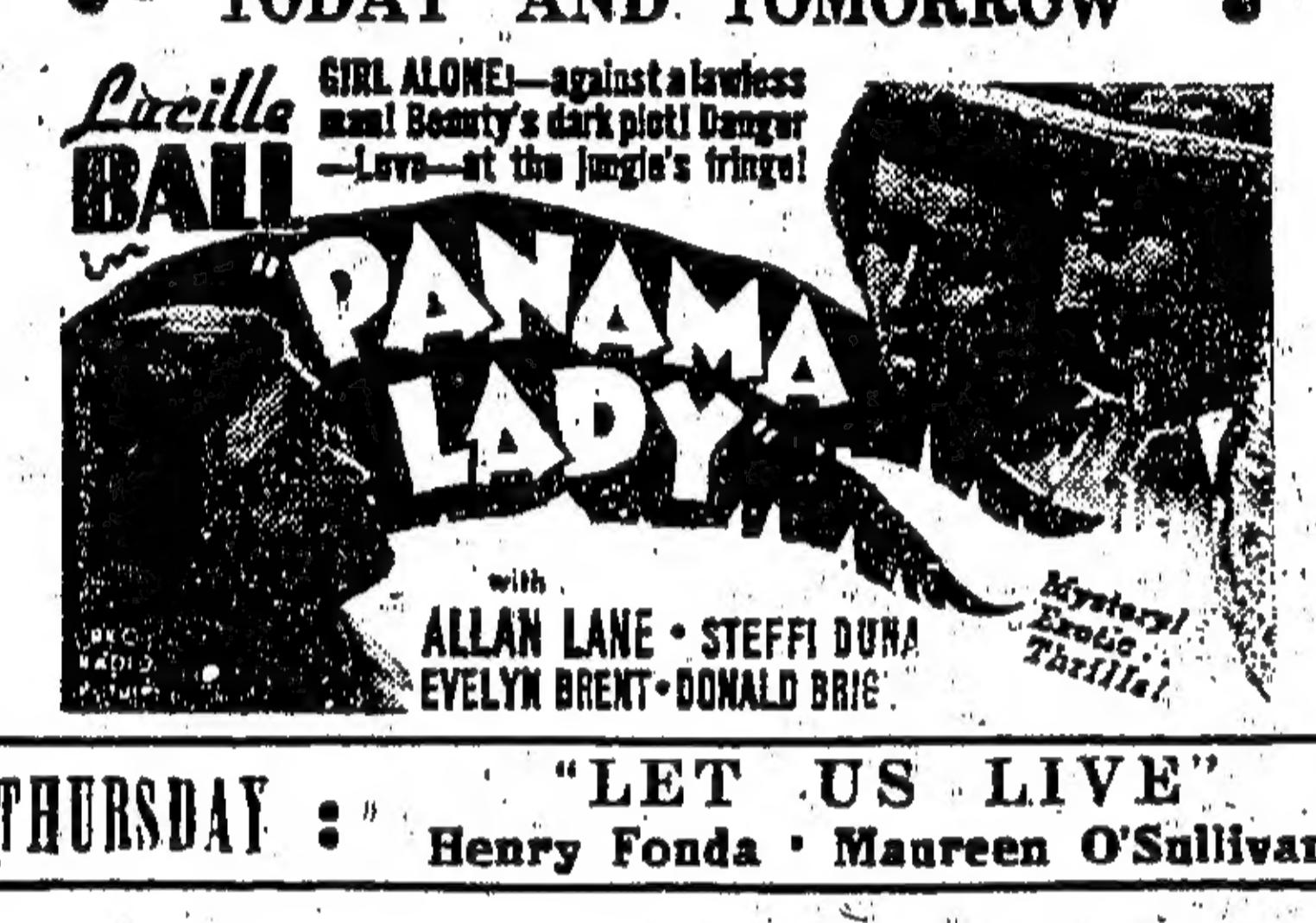
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## ITALIAN ENVOY IN MOSCOW TO RETURN

ROME, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—It is learned that the Italian Government invited its Moscow Ambassador, Signor Rosso, to return to Italy on leave.

The step is taken in reply to the Soviet Government's action in recalling its new Ambassador in Rome, M. Gorenkine, as a protest against anti-Soviet demonstrations inspired by the Soviet attack against Finland.

## Dublin Ammunition Theft

DUBLIN Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Another five tons of ammunition taken in the Phoenix Park Raid was discovered by the Police and military in an outhouse at Deamore, Drogheda, where a local farmer and cattle-dealer were detained.

Altogether 225 cases have now been recovered of the 700 stolen.

## Mrs. Chamberlain Gives Message Of Encouragement To Women Of France

PARIS, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—A NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE FROM MRS. CHAMBERLAIN, IN FRENCH, TO THE WOMEN OF FRANCE, WHICH HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY RECORDED, WAS BROADCAST ON SUNDAY FROM PARIS.

After recalling her own visits to France, she said: "I am convinced that the feelings of friendship which already bind us together have gained a new depth and a new force by the sacrifices which both have been called upon to make on behalf of a cause which is in effect, that of all humanity."

## GERMANY'S WAR GUILT

### APPEAL TO WORLD BY AUSTRALIAN LABOUR LEADER

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Mr. John Curtin, leader of the Australian Labour Party, in a broadcast speech, emphatically placed the war guilt upon Germany.

He said that Germany forcibly marched into Poland and thereby set the world afire. The Germans knew that Britain had pledged to help Poland in the event of attack. Therefore, Germany knew that every shot fired on Polish soil must be aimed at Britain and France.

#### AN APPEAL

Mr. Curtin appealed to men and women throughout the world for a change of spirit at the beginning of the New Year.

He asked: "Cannot Germany, having regard for the larger claims of civilisation, say the time has come to withdraw our armed forces from Poland and cannot Russia do the same thing in Poland and Finland and then request the Powers to take council in conference, not as between conquerors and conquered but as between equals?"

In conclusion, Mr. Curtin emphasised that the Australian Labour Party stood for a safe world and would always resist war-makers and aggressors and opposition to them would be unwavering to the end and until victory was won.

## Germany's Year Of Decisions

### TALK OF INVASION OF HOLLAND

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The New Year's Eve newspapers in Germany all re-echo Herr Hitler's message to the Nazi Party, declaring that 1940 will be a year of decision. All of them claim that Germany can achieve her aims, though they admit that the task will not be easy.

Talk of peace has receded to the background and all speeches and articles emphasise that a decision can only be attained by arms.

#### BITTER DISCUSSIONS

According to neutral sources, bitter discussions are proceeding behind the scenes in the Nazi War Councils how to attain the decisive result.

Four Generals are said to favour an invasion of Holland in the spring. If such an invasion is successful, it is surmised that Flushing would be seized and an attempt perhaps made to drive down the coast to Calais.

Opponents of this scheme say it is a Council of despair and that such a risk must only be taken if the war is regarded as otherwise inevitably lost.

#### SOVIET ACTIVITIES

Meantime, the Soviet activities are being closely watched in Germany and many Germans doubt whether Herr Hitler will attempt a decisive step until the Baltic situation is clarified.

### MERRIEST NEW YEAR IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—New York had its maddest and merriest New Year celebrations for a decade.

The crowds in Times Square was so large that bus traffic was stopped. The low temperature, however, forced the noisy crowd to keep moving.

Night clubs sold out their liquor and it is estimated that \$50,000,000 were spent in the city during the night.

## NEW FRENCH GUNS MAKE OLD BERTHA LOOK SMALL

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—In a message from somewhere in France, describing a French gun crew exercising with a huge gun firing every few minutes live shells costing £380 each, Reuter's special correspondent with the French Army states that the crew planted five shells within a circle of twenty-yards diameter in a far-away village, which was battered to ruins in the last war and is still serving as a practice target in the present war.

#### EASILY MOVED

Mounted on ten bogeys, the whole weighing 150 tons the gun can be moved about the countryside at a speed of 25 miles an hour. When fired, there is comparatively little smoke, but a vivid sheet flame and a terrific blast such that at a distance of 100 yards, it is necessary to stand very firm to avoid being thrown to the ground. Yet the gun recoils only a yard and a half, thanks to the great blocks which absorb the shocks.

#### HUGE MORTAR

Another gun of even greater calibre is a huge mortar designed to smash the strongest position by almost vertical fire.

There are still other types of guns calculated to make the "Old Bertha" of the last war look small, for though the French Army had no great opinion of such "stratosphere" guns, they are determined to have one better than the enemy.

According to well-informed sources in Paris M. Gafencu, Rumanian Foreign Minister is planning a conference of four Balkan states at Belgrade this month.—(Reuter).

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H.E. The Governor has graciously consented to open the Show at 2.30 p.m. on January 6th, 1940.

Prizes will be distributed by J. Barrow, Esq., District Officer, Northern District at 2.30 p.m. on January 7th, 1940.

Concession rates kindly granted by the Kowloon-Canton Railway of visitors to the Show on the 10 a.m., 12 noon and 1.30 p.m. trains from Kowloon, and any train from Fanling after 1.00 p.m. on both days.

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## British Consular Service In China: Interesting Address To Rotarians

How British history in the Far East was made by men promoted from the British Consular Service, was told to Hongkong Rotarians yesterday at the Club's first weekly tiffin meeting for the new year when Rotarian J. C. Hutchison, O.B.E. addressed the gathering.

Consular Service in China." Rotarian L.C.F. Bellamy was in the chair and the meeting was well attended.

Before calling upon the speaker to deliver his address, the chairman wished the gathering a Happy New Year and welcomed back Rotarians J. Fleming, H.E. Stone and J. Smith, who had been away from the Colony.

Each of them said a few words on his experiences and Rotary activities while away.

### THE ADDRESS

In his address, which was delivered in a delightfully humorous vein, Mr. Hutchison said that the British Foreign Office Service was composed of three services, the Diplomatic Service, the Commercial-Diplomatic Service and the Consular Service. The Consular Service was the senior service in China and combined the services of all three branches.

Giving the names of leading personalities in the making of British history in the Far East, and particularly in China, Mr. Hutchison pointed out that all of them were men who had been promoted from the Consular Service.

Entrance to the Service was my competitive examination in which the system of marking was so curious that 25 per cent was deducted for superfluous answers and frequently students scored nought. In his first year none of the candidates obtained more than 40 marks out of a possible 2,000.

The vive-voce examination was also a severe test and often embarrassing to those who are timid and nervous.

### STUDY OF CHINESE

Successful candidates spend their first two years in China studying Chinese in Pekin. He remembered his old-fashioned, blase finger-nailed teacher who never changed his under clothing and in winter merely put on more! One of the students in his group insisted on the teacher giving his lessons in the open because he found the small too overpowering for the confines of a small room.

At the end of the two years they were subjected to another competitive examination and precedence in the service was accorded on the results of this examination.

The speaker then read out extracts from the commission by which they are appointed to the Starbuck, J. Linstead, S. K. Hsu, Consular Service, and the doc-

Mr. Hutchison added, "I found I was not the only fool in Shanghai at the time! The woman was found to be a well-known international thief!"

### HARD WORK

Work in the Consular Service is hard and exacting and it is not correct to think that Consular Officers are nothing more than "social butterflies."

In conclusion, Mr. Hutchison referred to his impending departure on transfer from Hongkong and said he was very sorry to have to go away.

### SPEAKER THANKED

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Bagram, Consul General for Siam in Hongkong.

The guests were Messrs. L. O. Davis, M. Gardan, N. R. Ramsay, L. Strellet, Capt. J. Mullins and Capt. Millar.

## INDIAN FILM EXECUTIVE

### Leaves Here On Way To Hollywood

An interesting departure by the Imperial Airways plane this morning is Mr. C. K. Manghimalani, a young Indian film director of Karachi, who has been staying here about a week on his way home to India for a short holiday. He has been studying film production at the University of South California and, in an interview, stated that he will be going back to his studies after a short stay in his home country in the course of which he will devote most of his time investigating the possibilities of producing newsreels for world exhibition, and also travelogue pictures.

Mr. Manghimalani, who is only 24 years of age, has studied under such well-known figures in the cinema world as Boris Morris, director of the Laurel and Hardy film, "The Flying Deuces" which has just concluded such a successful run here.

### "TOO TEDIOUS"

He expressed the opinion that the pictures that are being produced in India at the present at "too long and tedious" and that unless something is done to give the cinema world something more interesting, the future of the film industry in India will not be very bright.

Mr. Manghimalani only left India last August—four days before Great Britain and France went to war against Germany and as a result he was delayed some five weeks in England before he could get a boat to take him across the Atlantic.

### WEDDINGS AT REGISTRY

Mr. Cheung Sung-to, clerk of the Waterworks, Office of the Public Works Department, and Miss Lily Yung, of No. 1, Breezy Terrace, were married at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday.

Another Registry wedding was between Mr. Cheung Wai-ding, student, of No. 2, Wah On Lane, and Miss Liu Ching-chong, midwife of the same address.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar of Marriages, officiated at both ceremonies.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—

Mr. Israel Fritz Frey, assistant of No. 306, Nathan Road, and Miss Trude Banaschek, dressmaker, of No. 172, Nathan Road.

Mr. Tang Wai-tack, merchant, of No. 20, Ching Fung Street, first door, and Miss Ng Kong-chu, of No. 19, Hing Hon Road.

Mr. Choi Sik-him, merchant, of No. 4, Granville Road, second floor, and Miss Polly Lee, of No. 731, Nathan Road, second door.

### CHINESE LIBRARIES FOR HONGKONG

It is reported that a well-known Chinese social organisation in Hongkong is forming plans to establish eight new Chinese libraries in the Colony.

The libraries are intended to cater to the large number of Chinese scholars here and to provide facilities for them to continue their education in Hongkong during the present Sino-Japanese hostilities.

An appeal has been sent for free supplies of books and magazines and the local Chinese newspapers have been requested to send copies of their issues to the libraries.

## POPULAR H.K. OFFICIAL LEAVING THE COLONY TOMORROW

### MR. ERNEST P.H. LANG

Hongkong will say good-bye on Thursday to a well-known Government official and a popular resident when Mr. Ernest Philip Henry Lang, who retired last month after many years as Registrar of the Supreme Court, departs for England. Mr. Lang will leave by a Dutch steamer.

### MANY DUTIES

The work of a Consular Officer calls upon him not only to be a notary public, a passport officer, a Board of Trade Officer dealing with shipping etc., but also to perform the functions of a magistrate, registrar of births, deaths and marriages, coroner and even to be his own consul and own gaoler.

The constitution however, forbids that a Consul shall officiate at his own marriage!

### AN INCIDENT

While Mr. Hutchison was passport officer at Shanghai a very charming woman and her 16 year old daughter called for their passport on the day he had taken over.

They had originally applied for a single passport for the two of them but he suggested as the girl was 16 years old, that they should have separate passports and this was done.

Some 18 months later he received a furious letter from London asking why these passports had been issued and who was responsible.

Having by then quite forgotten the incident, he called his assistant and said to him "Find out who is the ass that issued these passports."

A little while later his assistant came in very sheepishly and said, "It's you, Sir."

He found that the woman had taken two fur coats from a Shanghai store without paying for them and the daughter had got two expensive engagement rings from the same man!

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### JUDGMENT FOR PLAINTIFF

Before Mr. Justice E. E. Lindsell in the Summary Court yesterday, Mr. Sydney Hampden Floss, of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, accountants, claimed possession of No. 21, Wanchai Road, first floor.

Judgment was given for plaintiff,

Mr. D. L. Strellet, Defendant appeared in person.

It was stated that defendant was tenant of the premises until Nov. 14, last, when he was to have given up possession in accordance with a notice to quit dated September 29. Defendant was still in possession of the premises and refused to quit.

Mr. E. M. Kennedy, clerk in charge of property at Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, said that defendant had erected structures at the back of the premises which he refused to demolish when he was told that he had to do so, as the landlord had received a notice from the Building Authority.

### GOT INTO ARREARS

Defendant, said witness, rented the premises in December 1937 at \$15 per month. He paid his rent regularly until December 1938 when he got into arrears.

Defendant said that he did not erect the buildings at the back of the house and did not know who had done so. He admitted having put up a shed on the hillside, and said that the shrot did not call for the rent nor was he able to see Mrs. Kennedy at the office to pay her the money.

Possession was granted to plaintiff within seven days, as well as mesne profits of \$40 and \$17.63 for water charges, and costs.

### ARRIVALS IN HONGKONG

The following were among the passengers who arrived in Hongkong yesterday:

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Mr. R. Sweeney, Mr. T. L. Wu, Mr.

F. Eccles, Mr. S. H. Bow, Mr. J. G.

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L. Scott, Mr. C. A. Westcott, Mr. E.

V. Manley, Mr. E. A. Woodfield, Mr.

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The following passengers passed through the Colony yesterday: Mr.

R. Fox, Mr. K. Batheja, Mr. K. B.

Malkani, Mr. and Mrs. Forth, Mr.

Marshall, Mr. A. Stubbs, Mr. and

Mrs. D. Bernhard and infant, Mr.

G. Raffan.

### COMMITTED TO SESSIONS

Appearing before Mr. T. J. Hou-

ton at the Central Court yesterday on a charge of robbery, five men

Chay Tung, 26, Li Kiu-ching, 22,

Li Hon-cho, 36, Chan Shu-yan, 19,

and Lau Hung, 23, were committed

to the Criminal Sessions. A sixth

man, Lo Ki-leung, 22, who was

charged with accessory before the fact was also committed.

The complainant was Wong Ho-

sea grass dealer.

## GENERAL



MR. ERNEST P.H. LANG

An able and fair-minded official, Mr. Lang was admired and respected by his colleagues and staff in the Supreme Court, and also enjoyed great esteem and popularity amongst a large circle of people who came into contact with him both in his official position and in private life.

### A TRIBUTE

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, when making a farewell presentation of a silver salver to Mr. Lang on November 30 last, paid tribute to Mr. Lang's many qualities.

One of Mr. Lang's tasks by which he will be specially remembered is his re-arrangement of the entire records of the Court.

Mrs. Lang, who has just recovered from a serious illness, will accompany her husband Home. They will take with them the Colony's best wishes for their future happiness. They will probably settle in the south of England.

Their son, Mr. C. B. Lang, is at present serving in the Fleet Air Arm, where he holds a Commission.

### JOINED GOVERNMENT

Joining the Hongkong Government in 1928, Mr. Lang was appointed Assistant Crown Solicitor. He arrived in October of the same year, and was appointed Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court.

At different periods, Mr. Lang has acted as Official Receiver, Registrar of Trade Marks, Acting Registrar and Deputy Registrar of Companies. He went on leave in 1933 and in 1938 was appointed Registrar of Companies and Official Administrator and Public Trustee.

### UNEMPLOYED SHIP'S COOK ACCUSED

Hui Fuk-sing, 31, an unemployed ship's cook, appeared on remand before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday charged with the murder of a coolie named Li Yau-sze, alias Fun Yau-sze. Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, conducted the prosecution.

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## The Waiting Game

(Contributed)

THE PRESENT WAR is not being fought along stereotyped lines, and therefore the average person cannot understand it. Is it unreal, phoney as the American call it? Are the antagonists in earnest and do they really mean to fight?—are questions that are being asked.

IT WAS EXPECTED that there would be the usual colossal list of casualties on the front, in the air and on the sea. Four months have passed and nothing of the kind has happened. Various explanations are offered. The Germans do not see why they should be called upon to fight really, seeing that they have got what they want—Austria, Czecho-Slovakia and Poland. True, they have lost control of the Baltic. For the present however they are quite satisfied and do not wish to advance further. They offer peace terms by which they would be confirmed in their possessions. The Germans do not wish to launch a great offensive, because they know it will be excessively costly, and the Allies are not in a hurry, because unlike the Germans their preparations are not complete, and while the Allies are growing stronger in a military sense the Germans, because of the blockade, are growing weaker in the economic sphere. There is no need for the Allies to hurry then.

THE GERMANS HOWEVER hope to avoid war by driving a wedge between the British and the French through propaganda. The German policy is so clearly laid down in "Mein Kampf" that there is no need to go further for explanation. By sea and air the Germans have concentrated on Britain and they have courted France by radio. They have directed all their efforts to causing disintegration in these countries. They play up the grievances of discontented minorities in every country. They encourage isolationism in the United States, and in France they try to prove to the people the smallness of British war effort. In Africa they try to rouse the Boers, and in India the discontented elements.

DIVIDE ET IMPERA' is the basis of the policy in Mein Kampf and Dr. Goebbels is trying to realise it in practice. All these efforts and they are



Dr. H. H. Lai, of the Government, Medical Department, and his bride, formerly Miss Ruth Yee Fung U, after their marriage at St. Paul's Church on Thursday afternoon.

## RUSSO-GERMAN PACT EXTENDED

## B.W.O.F. Now Totals \$339,191.35

BERLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The Russo-German commercial and financial agreement of Dec. 19, 1938, has been prolonged until Dec. 31, 1940, says a Moscow despatch.

Subscriptions received to date for credit of The British War Organisation Fund, Hongkong Branch, are as follows:

Previously Acknowledged \$328,760.82.

Stanley Sunday School \$27.30. One

Fordleth 5. Mr. and Mrs. Michael H. Turner \$20. V. S. S. by 500. Ajax 12. Dr.

K. W. Chau 250. Mrs. Harry E. Langley 50. Dreamland Dance Hall 50.

Officers and Members of Canadian Chinese Club 150. A. F. Herden 15.87.

F. B. Winter (Monthly) 20. A. Whitaker (Monthly) 20. A.R.P. 20.

Doll Radio 10. Mrs. Bury 16.87. S. W.

P. Perry 10. C. Temple, R.A. 88.24.

Misses Alleen and Doris Woods (Monthly) 10. Staff of Union Insect Socy. of Canton—Dec. 149.50. Some

Members of the European Staff—

Butterfield and Swire—Dec. 37.50. J.

D. Hutchinson and Co. 1,000. Chinese

Red Cross Society 3,125. M. M. Afanassieff 5. Carol Singers, Taylor,

Nease, Eads, Stokes 38. Miss M. L.

Whiteley (Monthly) 20. Portuguese

Staff—Hongkong Bank (Monthly) 50.

Bank Interest 159.58. Kwangtung Pro-

vincial Bank 1,000. Ko Ho Ning 300.

Ko Fook Sun 100. S. A. Kent

(Monthly) 10. W. J. Knight 10. The

Prison Staff—December 188.54. Three

Members European Staff—Taikoo Su-

men (Monthly) 25. Wai Shu Pak 100.

Wai Tang Sul Chun 10. Wai Kay 10.

Wick On Property and Mortgage

Co. 100. Hongkong Gingco Co. 100.

Hong Lee 50. Yu Tat Chi 20. Tseng

Shing Commercial Assn. 20. Siu

Chuk Sang 10. So Chiu Tung 5. Wong

Poon Chan 5. Chap Po Shu 3. Ng Ho

Sheung 3. Yee Sen 5. Wo 5. Rattan

MERCHANTS Assn. 400. Chan Cheuk

Pan 100. Ng Chak 50. Wah 50. Li Ping

200. Kwong Thau 20. Nathan

Theatre 10. Hon. Siu Shouson Chow

250. Sun Sung Fal 10. Hing Fat Co.

10. Yuen Chong Chan 10. Kwo

Hing Tai 10. Kai Fat Co. 10. Chong Sams

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Hing 5. Woo Kay 5. Chan Chik Nin 5.

Ngai Sang Knitting Co. Ltd. 20. Au

Jun Chuen 100. Au Sin Chu 100. Au

Long Hin 100. Au Tez Shin 25. Total

\$339,191.35.

## BANKER'S ORDER

A. C. Wilcox \$25.

## REFUGEE COUNCIL

The Hongkong Refugee and Social

Welfare Council has received the fol-

lowing donations during December,

1939.—3. Sympathisers (c/o S.C.M.

Post) \$30. Mr. K. Y. Chang 1. British

Fund for Relief of Distress in China

(for Soup Kitchens) 15,000. St. Sch-

phen's Girls' College 200. 3. Sympa-

thizers and 1 Fortescue (c/o S.C.M.

Post) \$1. Total \$15,262.00.

## ADM. SIR CHARLES LITTLE MARRIED

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Ad-

miral Sir Charles Little, Second

Sea Lord, was married to his con-

siderable wife, Maryliz Little, at Westmin-

ster Abbey.

His first wife died in May last

year.

Admiral Sir Charles Little was

the former Commander-in-Chief of

the China Station and was succee-

ded by Admiral Sir Percy Noble.



Pictures taken at the Fanning race meeting held at Kwanti: On the left are Mr. David Erskine, Miss Elizabeth Grayburn and Miss Rosemary Vickers, while on the right may be seen Mrs. Stoneham. In the background is the Sun Wal Camp.

## GEN. CHIANG ASKS FOR PROTECTION OF CHINESE IN THAILAND

CHUNGKING, DEC. 31 (Central)—Chinese people in Thailand were greatly elated over the Thailand Government's recent release of an official exchange of telegrams between Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and the Thailand Prime Minister concerning the protection of Thailand Chinese.

The Generalissimo's telegram, dated November 29, requested the Thai Government to give continued full protection to Chinese people in Thailand, and to permit them to engage in lawful occupations without undue interference.

Generalissimo Chiang in his

telegram pointed out that the geographical and economical close relationship between China and Thailand will prove an important stabilizing factor in the peace of the Asian Continent. He also expressed his admiration over the recent achievements of the Thailand Government.

## HAPPY RELATIONS

Chinese people, noted for their love of peace and order, are contributing their share in Thailand to the progress and prosperity of the country. Generations of Chinese residents have been living in Thailand, and they have always maintained happy relations with the Thai people themselves.

Generalissimo Chiang said during the present war, when China is passing through a crisis, the Government shall feel more than ever grateful if the Thailand authorities will accord full protection to the Chinese residents.

## PREMIER'S REPLY

The Thailand Prime Minister's reply telegram of Dec. 7 thanked Generalissimo Chiang for his sentiments and assured him that the Thai Government valued international co-operation and the most valuable contributions Chinese people in Thailand had made.

The Thailand premier mentioned that the necessary restrictive measures were taken by the government to check unlawful activities, with a view to ensuring that full protection is given to Chinese lives and property in Thailand. He expected that in his broadcast of Nov. 18 to the Chinese people in Thailand, he had cleared up all possible misunderstandings.

The telegram concluded by as-

suring the Generalissimo that full

protection will be accorded to

Chinese in Thailand.

## SOVIET-JAPANESE NEGOTIATIONS

BERLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—A German News Agency despatch from Moscow, quoting Japanese sources, states that M. Molotov and Mr. Togo reached an agree-

ment regarding the fisheries dispute to extend temporarily the 1939 Spring Convention with the object of avoiding illegal

conditions arising with regard to

Japanese fishing rights.

Meanwhile, negotiations for a long term fisheries convention are stated to be continuing M. Molotov and Mr. Togo, also discussed the projected new demarcation of the Manchukuo—Outer Mongolian frontier.

## RAILWAY INSTALLMENT

MOSCOW, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Under the Soviet-Japanese settlement, the Japanese Government guaranteed payment of the last instalment for the railway due from Manchu-

kuo by Jan. 4, together with the

additional sum due under the Gold

Clause and interest at three per

cent from March 23, 1928, when the

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# SOVIET TROOPS CONCENTRATE FOR MASS ATTACK AGAINST MANNERHEIM LINE

HELSINKI, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—With 150,000 Soviet troops reported to be concentrated, a mass offensive is hourly expected against the Mannerheim Line. The tempo of artillery fire has noticeably increased, though it has not yet reached the proportion of a full-scale barrage.

Isolated infantry attacks are proceeding continually, but no co-ordinated action has yet started.

The Finnish northern headquarters at Rovaniemi report sharp fighting at Salla where the Finns are expected to launch a thrust against the weakening Russian Lines.

#### GRAVE POSITION

North of Lake Ladoga, a Soviet force of 75,000, including large mechanised forces, are in imminent danger of finding itself stranded as skilful Finnish patrols cut all means of transport and communication.

Russians there are reported to be running short of food and it is stated that within a few days the Russians will be forced to surrender through starvation or fight their way back to their own country.

The Finns claim now to have the initiative on the whole 800 miles of eastern front, except in the Petsamo Sector.

#### MORE AIR RAIDS

Sunday was one of the worst air raid days since the war started. Towns throughout South Finland report bombings. At least ten towns were attacked and hundreds of bombs dropped, though details regarding the damage and casualties are hitherto lacking.

#### HEAVY BATTERIES

VILIPURIS (Viborg), Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The heavy batteries of the Finnish artillery heralded the New Year on the Karelian Isthmus with 24 salvos.

These brought a furious response from Russian guns which blazed away for nine hours, firing 40 to 50 shells a minute, but did negligible damage.

An 8-inch gun fired three shells into Viborg which only wrecked a football pitch.

#### SWEDISH VOLUNTEERS

HELSINKI, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The thousands of Swedes who wanted to take part in the struggle in the course of the last few days had their wishes materialised; declared the Foreign Minister, M. Tanner, in an interview with the Swedish News Agency.

He said that this force of volunteers, under the command of General Linder, will come and participate as units of the Finnish Army in the fight against Soviet Russia.

This corps also comprises an adequate number of officers and non-commissioned officers and their role in the struggle for freedom and peace will be an important one.

The Helsinki radio, broadcasting the interview, pointed out that General Linder also commanded the Swedish volunteers who fought in the Finnish war of liberation in 1918.

#### FURTHER BATCH

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—A further batch of volunteers left here last night for Finland. With the New Year celebrations over, it is expected that the transport of volunteers will be considerably speeded up.

#### RUSSIAN REQUEST

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The Berlin correspondent of the Politiken says that M. Stalin has asked Germany for 200,000 technicians, engineers and experts to reorganise Russian economic life, especially the transport system.

The correspondent says that Russia would not be able to continue the campaign against Finland unless a relay of skilled men arrive immediately.

All German experts who go to Russia will be given an entirely free hand and will be under Stalin's personal protection and, it is said, with good salaries.

The correspondent adds that continuance of Russo-German collaboration depends on the immediate despatch of this manpower. The only question is whether Germany can spare such a big number of skilled men.

#### SOVIET COMMISSARS

PARIS, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Soviet Commissars taken prisoners by the Finns are proving most difficult and some were shot for attempting to hide arms and continue their work of agitation, according to a Helsingfors correspondent after a visit to the front north of Lake Ladoga.

**CASUALTIES IN S'hai MURDERS**

CHUNGKING, Jan. 2 (Central)—Forty-four casualties resulted from assassinations in Shanghai in 1938, according to an estimate.

This figure does not include casualties caused by stray bullets.

#### FINNISH CLAIMS

HELSINKI, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The expected Russian offensive against the southern end of the Mannerheim Line still hangs fire.

Despite repeated attacks and heavy artillery bombardment, no where have the Finns been dislodged.

In the north the Finns claim successes. Soviet forces are said to have been thrown back on the Salla and Lake Ladoga sectors.

#### SANGUINARY BATTLES

HELSINKI, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—One of the most sanguinary battles of the war is stated to be raging on the Salla Front where the Russians are now almost surrounded.

The last two days are claimed to be good days for the Finns. At no point did they retreat, while at least at two places they have driven the enemy back, their latest success being at Kuhmo, south-east of the Sciomissalni Front.

This is the third time within a week that the Russians were forced back into their own territory. There has also been heavy fighting north of Lake Ladoga, where the Russians were driven back several kilometres. The capital was without an air raid alarm yesterday, but several other towns were raided fifty bombs being dropped at Hungo alone, where a hospital was badly damaged and ten persons injured.

#### "SUICIDE TROOPS"

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—So far there has been no confirmation available regarding the cutting of the Murmansk-Leningrad line by Finnish "Suicide Troops." In fact a dental is published in Stockholm.

Dr. Benes further declares that the moral strength and spirit of resistance of the Czechoslovak nation was greatly strengthened by the recognition of the Czechoslovak National Committee by Britain and France.

**DEVELOPMENT EXPECTED**

HELSINKI, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The fierce Russian attacks yesterday on the Mannerheim Line are expected to develop today with rising intensity.

Artillery, in preparation for more than ordinary violence, has been pounding the Finnish positions for more than 30 hours. The Russians tried to rush the defences with masses of men and material, at several vital spots.

The reorganised Russian Army, under General Stern, is believed to number at least 200,000 men in this sector and it is reported that a further 50,000 are expected from Leningrad.

The Finns are supposed to have one third of their total Army of 300,000 in the Karelian Isthmus.

All reports agree that the Finns have not yielded an inch of ground but behind the Mannerheim Line they are understood to be hastily completing two subsidiary defence systems designed to prevent the enemy from breaking through.

**STILL TIME TO TURN BACK TO ROAD OF PEACE**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Mr. Cordell Hull, in his New Year message, declared:

"The possibility is not excluded that the nations may find sufficient strength of conscience to return before the forces of destruction have been loosed in all their fury, to the tried and proven road of peaceful international relations."

"If the war intensifies, it will fall more heavily upon the American people. If peace comes, America must throw her weight in the direction of creating a stable and enduring world order under law."

**HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN AS "WOMAN OF THE YEAR"**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Her Majesty the Queen of England has been nominated "Woman of the Year" by the Washington Merry-go-Round, which is a syndicated column to 400 newspapers.

The column states that the reason for this is "because, arriving in an aloof and critical country, she completely conquered it and accomplished the conquest by being her natural self."

#### CABLE

## Turning Point Of War By Easter

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Viscount Kano, London Manager of the Yokohama Specie Bank, in an interview, declared that the war will have reached its turning-point in favour of the Allies by Easter and that the Sino-Japanese conflict will end in a month in a magnanimous peace.

#### INCREASED HARSHIPS

Viscount Kano declared that Germany had not the foreign investments or other resources she possessed in 1914 and said that as Germany's resources were diverted more to military purposes, the sufferings of the people will increase.

#### WORK OF MOVEMENT

Reviewing the work of the Spiritual Mobilisation Movement in the past eight months since its inception, the Generalissimo said

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unity and our determination to fight and overcome whatever difficulties that may lie in our path to final success.

#### CHINA WAR NEWS

"How can Germany in this plight carry on a full dress air-bombardment on Britain or an assault on the Maginot Line?" he asked.

#### ANGLO-JAPANESE RELATIONS

Viscount Kano also hopeful of better Anglo-Japanese relations. He declared that Japan did not want territory indemnity from China, but only access to her raw materials and a better market for Japanese goods.

#### DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY

Directly addressing the people, Generalissimo Chiang stressed that every man, woman and child bears a direct responsibility towards the nation. In this grave crisis the individual people must be subordinate to the interests of the country, and at all the time, energy, intellect and life of a single member must be given unreservedly to the nation so that through his own sacrifice his Fatherland may be saved.

#### GENERALISSIMO CHIANG MENTIONED

Generalissimo Chiang mentioned the people's duty in participating in such movements as the Production Move-

ment and Economy, and Sav-

ings Movement which have been started on nation-wide scale.

#### DUTY TO CHINA

Addressing particularly to the people in occupied areas, the Generalissimo said while he was ever mindful of the distress and suffering they have experienced under Japanese oppression, they should not neglect their duty towards their country and their brothers and sisters slain by the enemy.

#### HONAN TOWN TAKEN

SHANCHOW, HONAN, Jan. 2 (Central)—Following their recapture of Shensi, in North Honan, Chinese forces have recovered another important town, Wu-an, northeast of Shensi. The Japanese are retreating towards Anyang on the Peiping-Hankow Rail-

way.

#### TRAIN MISHAP

FANGCHENG, PEIPING, Jan. 2 (Central)—Over 100 Japanese were killed when a Japanese train struck a Chinese mine at Tungshangho, near Shenyang, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, in South Honan, on Sunday.

#### Chinese Raid Near Peiping?

#### TRAFFIC WITH HOLLAND IS DISCOURAGED

#### CITY SHAKEN BY EXPLOSIONS

#### AMSTERDAM, Jan. 2 (Reuter)

A new spy scare in Germany is described in an article dated from Holland's eastern border and published in Rotterdam paper Maasbode.

This fear of spies is the reason for the marked discouragement noticeable lately to all traffic between Germany and Holland. Over

Christmas, very few of those who

applied to go to Germany to visit friends and relatives were granted the necessary permits.

New notices saying: "Caution in Conversation, The Enemy is Listening," have been stuck up on the German side of the border.

#### MORE WARNINGS

The constant movement of troops in black-out trains and the huge war train in Germany have caused the German authorities to give great publicity to warnings against spies and to the law against high treason.

#### BOMBING PRACTICE

A large number of Japanese planes were seen flying over the city just before the explosions, which some Japanese circles say were caused by bombing practice.

#### It is definitely known, however,

that a foreigner attempting to reach Fengtai by train yesterday morning was turned back by the Police and not allowed to proceed.

#### BOMBING PRACTICE

The Generalissimo said in conclusion that the foundation for the nation's victory has been firmly laid, and it remains the sacred duty of every member of the nation conscientiously and truly to do their part.

He hoped that on this day every Chinese people will take it to his heart to join in the consummation of this huge task as a fitting memorial to the late Party Leader and all those who have died before us in China's national reconstruction.

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#### COURTESY VIST

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—H.M. Ajax, wearing the flag of Rear-Admiral Harwood will shortly pay a courtesy visit to Montevideo if the consent of the Uruguayan Government is forthcoming.

#### PROTEST LODGED

BERLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The German Ambassador in Montevideo has protested to the Uruguayan Government against the internment of the Tacoma, according to the German News Agency.

#### TWO-MILLION MEN CALLED UP FOR REGISTRATION BY ROYAL PROCLAMATION

#### LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)

Nearly two million men are affected by a Royal Proclamation signed last night, making liable for military service all men who reached nineteen years but are not twenty-eight on Jan. 1 or Jan. 30.

This new method specifying the number and age of groups simultaneously instead of one at a time as formerly, is adopted largely for administrative reasons.

"Can we doubt that whatever our shortcomings and sins as a nation in contending for the eternal and absolute verities of right and wrong, we are acting in accordance with the will of God?"

The registration of men covered by the Proclamation will not take place immediately, nor will all the men required be registered at the long yesterday on a visit to the

Colony.

Mr. W. J. Kewick, Managing Director, Jardine Matheson and Co., Shanghai, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday on a visit to the

**THE HONG KONG PENINSULA HOTEL; HONGKONG HOTEL; REPULSE BAY HOTEL;**  
**SHANGHAI ASTOR HOUSE; PALACE HOTEL; HOTELS LIMITED.**

In association with the Grand Hotel des Wagons Lits, Peking.

## Reich Striving To Organise Diplomatic Peace Offensive Favourable To Germany

PARIS, June 2 (Reuter)—The Petit Parisien states that its correspondent in Italy has sent a report, which must be read with all reserve, but which indicates that the Reich is striving its utmost to organise a diplomatic offensive for a peace favourable to Germany, leaving her the essential part of her conquests.

The correspondent suggests that important influences are working to make Herr Hitler reshuffle his regime and present it under a more "civilised" form.

He says that Herr Hitler would become President and Field-Marshal Goering, Chancellor, and radicals like Dr. Goebbels, Herr Himmler and Dr. Ley would disappear. Herr Mackensen would probably become Foreign Minister of Economy.

Generalissimo Chiang mentioned the people's duty in participating in such movements as the Production Movement and Economy, and Savings Movement which have been started on nation-wide scale.

The new government would be secret as regards its imperialist aims and "political distance" would be emphasised in regard to Russia.

#### POLAND REDUCED

It would be assumed that Poland and Czechoslovakia would be reduced in size, according to arbitration, and high personage autocracy would renounce and there would be a return to world economy.

The Petit Parisien adds that General Relchenau and General Blaskowitz are sounding Nazi Party leaders and magnates in the heavy industry and says that the captains of industry seem agreeable to an interior solution which would prevent Germany shipping further towards Bolshevism.

#### AUXILIARY UNIT

Uruguay action was taken on the ground that the Tacoma intervened in the Graf Spee affair as an auxiliary unit of the German Navy.

It is thought that Herr Hitler may have decided against her scuttling, because this would have lent support to the Uruguayan contention that the Tacoma was belligerent.

This contention is vigorously contested by the Germans.

## LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Liquidators to sell by

## PUBLIC AUCTION

on Thursday the 4th. January 1940 commencing at 10.30 a.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 2 Connaught Road, Central. (Room No. 205, 2nd. Floor).

## A QUANTITY OF NEW MISCELLANEOUS GOODS

comprising:-

Ladies' Handbags, Girdles, Olympic Silk Competition Swimming Suits & Caps, Silk Shirts, Ladies' & Gentlemen's Straw Hats, Spray Syringes, Hair Curlers, Artificial Flowers, Velveteen, Cement Paste and other Sundry Goods.

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**LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.**

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Teakwood & Iron Bedsteads, Drawers, Wardrobes, Chests of Drawers, Dressing Tables, Washstands, Chesterfield Suites, Chairs, Dining Tables, Sideboards, Cabinets, Desks, Bookcases, Teapots, Perambulators, Rattan Furniture, etc. etc.

Carpets, Rugs, Silver, Brass, E.P.C. Cut Glass, Glass and Porcelain Ware, Cutlery, Curios, Clocks, Ornaments, Electric Table Lamps and Heaters, Gramophones, Pictures, Tea Sets, Dinner Crockery, Cooking Utensils, etc. etc.

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## A FEW PIECES OF BLACKWOOD FURNITURE

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- 2 Sewing Machines
- 1 Game Table
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- 1 "Dallmeyer" Camera in Case
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- 1 Dinner Service "Royal Staffordshire"
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## Radio Programmes

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SIBELIUS SYMPHONY NO. 2 IN D MAJOR, OP. 43

Variety Programmes

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Mozart—Piano Concerto in B Major

Ely Ney (Piano) with Chamber Orchestra conducted by Dr. W. van Hoogstraten.

12.55 Mozart Song.

I'll Have Vengeance (from "The Marriage of Figaro")—Alexander Kipnis (Bass) and Elizabeth Ruzicka (Mezzo-Soprano) with Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.00 Maxine Sullivan (Vocal) and Benny Goodman and His Orchestra in "Swing" Music.

Fox-Trots—Afraid To Dream (film You can't have everything); Roll Em—Benny Goodman and His Orchestra; Loch Lomond (in Fox-Trot Tempo); I'm Coming Virginia (in Fox-Trot Tempo)—Maxine Sullivan (Vocal) with Orchestra; Fox-Trots—Can't We Be Friends; Peckin' (film "New Faces of 1937")—Benny Goodman and His Orchestra; Blue Skies (Berlin)—Maxine Sullivan (Vocal) & Her Orchestra; Fox-Trots—Goody-Goody; It's Been So Long (film "The Great Ziegfeld")—Benny Goodman and His Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Variety with Charlie Kahn, Max Miller, Bob Mallin, The Duncan Sisters and Robinson Cleaver.

Comedian—Confessions of A Cheeky Chappy (Miller)—Max Miller.

Guitar—There's Only Five Bullets In My Old Six Shooter (Box-Cox Roberts); Prairie Romeo (Godfrey-Carleton)—Bob Mallin and His Guitar.

Vocal—Adam and Eve (Duncan Sisters—Granatt); Ti-Pi-Tin (Leeven-Grever)—The Duncan Sisters accompanied by two pianos; Fland—Charli Kunz Piano Medley No. 7—Intro: In a Little Gypsy Tea Room; Old Mammy Mine; Anything Goes; Haunting Me; Jump on the Wagon; When Day is Done—Charlie Kunz, Cinema Organ—The Whistler & His Dog (Fryor); Frascati Serenade (Lehar)—Robinson Cleaver.

2.15 Close down.

6.00 An hour of Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Let's Call The Whole Thing Off (film "Shall we Dance"); They Can't Take That Away from Me (film "Shall we Dance")—Roy Fox and His Orchestra; Rumba—it's An Old Cuban Custom; Novelty Fox-Trot—Swing Syncopation With A Fork and Spoon; Joe Daniels and His Hot Shots in "Drumsticks"; Tanacs Jalousie—Xavier Cugat and His Hotel Orchestra; The Sals—Henry King and His Hotel Pierre Orch. Fox-Trots Between a Kiss and a Sigh; Hurry Home—Kay Kyer and His Orchestra; Waltzes—The Last Drop; Dorfkinden (from "Gypsy Princess")—Orchestra Mascotte; Fox-Trot—I Go For That (film "St. Louis Blues"); Quickstep—Shut-Eye—Jack Hylton & His Orchestra; Quicksteps—Sing My Heart (film "Love Affair"); Wishin' (film "Love Affair")—Victor Silvers & His Ballroom Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Oriental Nights; Strolling In The Park—Billy Bartholemew and His Dance Orchestra; Waltz—I Shall Always

2.15 Three Brahms' Songs by Elman Gerhardt (Meissner-Sommer).

Nachtspiel—Standchen—with Piano accompaniment by Coeckelber v. Ros.

8.15 Brahms—Variations on a Theme by Paraini, Op. 35.

Prom Patrol (Piano).

10.15 Shubert Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 43.

Serge Rachmaninoff and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

11.00 Close down.

Remember You Smiling; Fox-Trot—The 7.15 To Dreamland—Hugo Rignold and His Orchestra.

5.55 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.00 London Relay—Musical Comedy in Miniature.

Cities of Music; Venice.

7.30 London Relay—The News, 8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 A Grand Variety Programme with Oliver Wakefield, George Formby, Gracie Fields, Eddie Atherton and Others.

Comedienne—Some of These Days (Brooks); Moanin' Low (Dietz and Rainey); Sophie Tucker with Ted Shapiro's Orchestra; Monologue—Pancake Tuesday Throughout The Empire (A Farthing Relay)—Max Kester and John de Gray, Vivian Robins and Fenoulhet; Harry Robbins with The Four Bright Sparks; Monologue—Crazy Commentaries (Red Riding Hood v. The Wolf)—Max Kester; Cinema Organs—By The Blue Hawaiian Waters (Ketelbey); Medley—Reginald Foote; Humorous Monologue—The Voice Of Inexperience (Wakefield)—Oliver Wakefield.

8.15 Cinema Organ—The Vision of Full.

8.30 Cinema Organ—By The Blue Hawaiian Waters (Ketelbey); Medley—Reginald Foote.

8.45 Cinema Organ—My Young Man's Eve; So Nice (Vivian Ellis); Dennis, Ever The Menace from Venice (Fola); Eddie Atherton; Comedian—George Formby; Medley—Intro: Sitting on the Ice; Do de oh Doh; Chinese Laundry Blues; Madame Moscovitch; My Ukulele; Fanlight Fanny—George Formby with His Ukulele and Orchestra.

Vocal—Outside An Old Stage Door (Pelon and Others); Old Father O'Hara (O'Hara)—Gracie Fields with Fred Hartley and His Orchestra.

8.55 Cinema Organ—The Circus Queen (Weston-Lee)—Warren and Darnell; Instru: I'm Getting Sentimental Over You; Falling In Love With You (Young and Others); Andy Irons and His Islanders.

9.03 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.20 Folk Music.

Mutual Love (arr. Porter); The Mutual Fellow (arr. Porter)—Folk Dance Band conducted by Ronnie Munro; La Volta (Byrd); Ave (Rossiter); Tower Hill (Parney); Ayre (Rossiter); O You're Pretty (English Jig); Butter Please (English Folk Song); Charley Markeison; Nancy Wants Her Own Share (Irish Folk Tune arr. Miller); The Pipers' Guild Quartet.

The Berkshire Tragedy (English County Song); O Sad Endine (Tardis); Oliver Cromwell (English County Song); Our Bill (Vocal) with Piano accompaniment; Scandinavian Dances; Little Man In A Pit; Sextet; Galloping Folk Dance Orchestra cond. by Victor Olaf.

9.45 Three Brahms' Songs by Elman Gerhardt (Meissner-Sommer).

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## THIS MAN MADE POISON GAS FOR GERMANY

This amazing story of how poison gas was manufactured in Germany before the war began was smuggled out of that country by the author and was published recently in the Sunday Chronicle.

In doing so he writes: "I realise that this makes me a perfumer and a traitor to the present rulers of my country."

"But I am a father and I believe it is my duty as a human being to tell the world what is going on in the factory in which I work."

I work in the Poison Gas Division of the Crefeld-Uerdingen Plant of the German Dye Trust, states the author.

Our plant used to be a small one, but when we started to prepare for the war it was transformed into a gigantic factory.

All entrances to the works are guarded day and night by special police. Every morning we must pass the scrutiny of these guards before we go to work.

There are a tremendous number of men working here now—more than 4,000.

The various divisions of the plant are strictly separated from each other, and the crew of one department does not know anything about those working in any other one.

Besides this, when we were employed we had to take a special oath to keep secret everything that goes on. We are under constant surveillance.

The division in which I work produces chrome gas.

We are told that chrome gas is one of the deadliest poison gases ever invented.

It seeps into the soil, where it stays for a long time. Everything it comes into contact with becomes poisonous.

### GO THROUGH HELL

I do not know the uses to which it can be put, other than destroying living things, but I do know how it is manufactured, and the hell we go through to produce it.

In the shed in which I work there is a huge double drum.

Every few weeks we put 30 tons of chromium ore into the instead of this container. Then the drums are started and the current is switched on.

The heat used varies between 2,500 and 3,000 degrees centigrade. Soon the chrome inside the drums is at a white heat.

The gas is led off through a gadget at one end of the drum. Finally, it is packed in steel tanks.

Not all of the gas, however, is stored in its neutral state. Some of it is transformed into a powder by a secret process.

This process belongs among the most carefully guarded secrets around here. I do know this much, that they add phosphorus preparations, sulphur and lead to the gas to make it a powder.

### SILVER FOREHEAD

The powder has a double effect. It will set fire to all inflammable materials and at the same time will liberate the gas. It must be a hellish mixture.

Besides attending to the drums all of us who work here have to serve as human guinea pigs.

We are constantly in danger of losing our lives in the testing room

## THE WAR AT SEA

### Allied Help For Finland

#### GERMAN CLAIM DENIED

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The German News Agency claims that the British patrol ship Agathe was sunk on Dec. 29 by a German submarine.

An enquiry at the British Admiralty, it was learnt that no British naval ship was sunk on Dec. 29 and that there is no ship named Agathe in the British Navy.

### TANKER BEACHED

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The London tanker Sandefjord was damaged by a mine and was beached. Her crew, numbering forty-one, were landed without a casualty.

### ONE LIFE LOST

Survivors of the trawler Barbara Robertson, sunk by a U-Boat off the north of Scotland, arrived at Fleetwood.

One life was lost and the rest of the crew were picked up by warship after being twelve hours in a lifeboat which was sighted by a

#### FRENCH & BRITISH CO-OPERATION

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Britain has formally notified the League of Nations that she is taking steps to help Finland.

Though there is no indication of the form the help will take, it is learned that no troops will be sent to Finland, but only war material.

France is taking a similar step and the Allies are working in close cooperation.

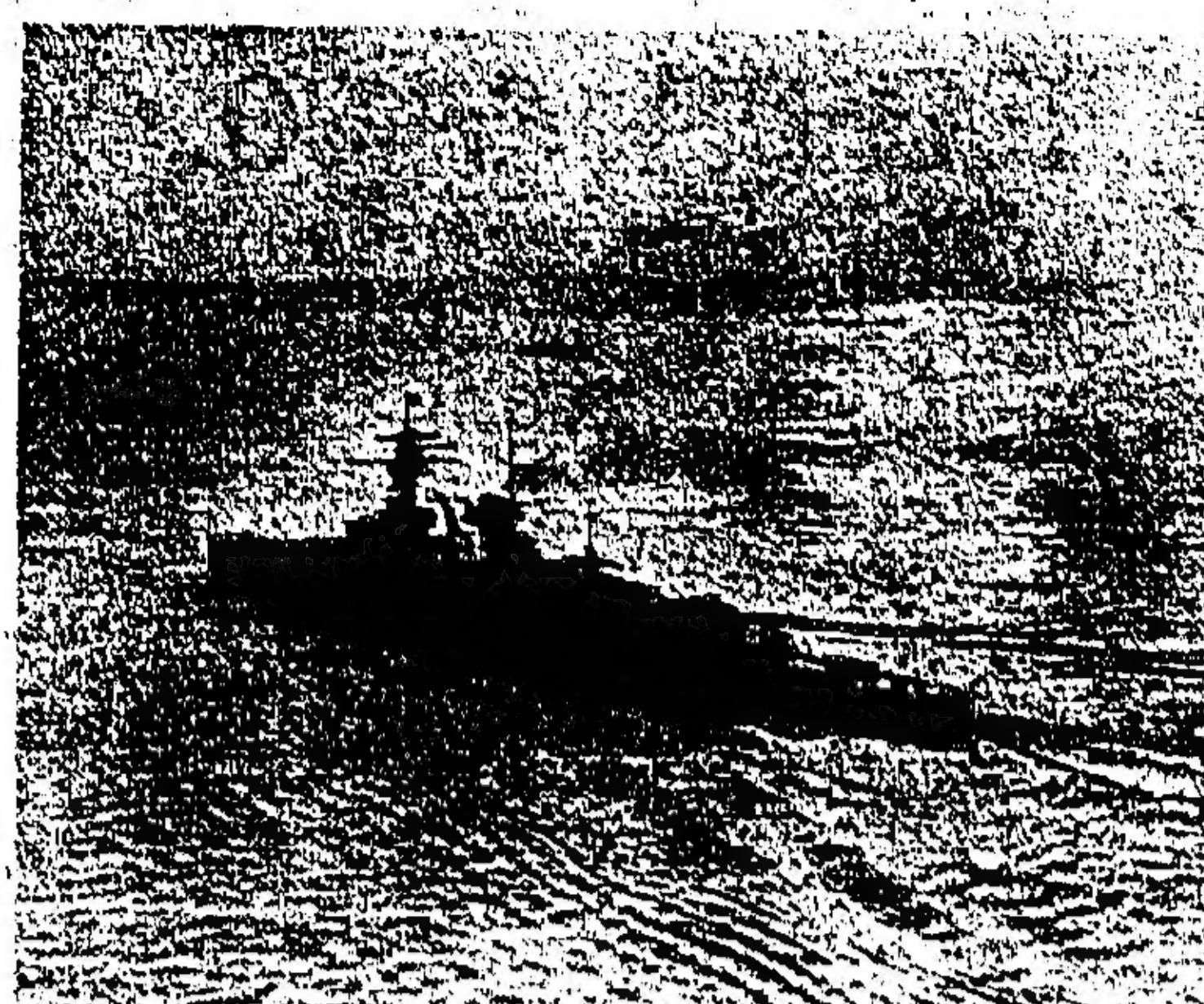
### PRESIDENT'S GRATITUDE

President Kallio of Finland issued a message in which he expressed his gratitude for Allied help.

He said: "During the next few days the Reds will make the acquaintance of volunteers from abroad, who have the same love of liberty as ourselves."

### SALE OF U.S. SHIPS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The Maritime Commission has approved the sale of eight United States line ships to a Norwegian concern, the North Atlantic Transport Co., Trelleborg on Sunray and port Company.



The German battleship Deutschland, which sank the Rawalpindi and still eludes our warships.

## SECOND CONTINGENT OF CANADIANS IN ENGLAND

### CONVOYED ACROSS BY FRENCH NAVY

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Canada's second contingent of troops landed on Sunday at a west coast port, lustily singing "Roll Out, Barrel" and "Tipperary," as they marched ashore.

We all dread the frequent visits to the testing chamber, it is deep underground. After passing through a set of gas-tight double doors we arrive in the chamber itself.

Only one man goes in at a time, while the others stand outside the control windows to observe the momentary guinea pig's actions.

This testing room is about 20ft.

long and 12ft. wide, with ceiling 20ft. above the floor.

It is my turn to be guinea pig. As the heavy doors closed behind me, the engineer gives me a sign. It is the signal for me to pull seven levers in a predetermined sequence.

But before I pull the last switch, I must pause to count three; and at the instant I pull the lever I must make a quick about-face. For it is this last lever which causes the explosion of the gas cartridge.

### SAT IN GAS MASK

As I turn I hear the muffled detonation. I stay in the experimental chamber for about ten minutes longer.

When I get out I must take off the oversuit which I had been wearing. Then I remove the mask. Next I go into a bath. It is a special bath with chemicals added to the water.

Recently they tried a different kind of gas on me.

It must have been a more potent variety. For that time all the clothing I had worn in the testing room was burned in a special oven the moment it was taken off me.

Then I had to sit naked, wearing my gas mask, in a special room for about twenty minutes while oxygen or some other gas mixture was blown through it.

After the oxygen bath was over I was permitted to remove my mask, and was hurried into another water bath.

Before going into this water, however, I was warned not to let any of it get into my eyes or mouth because it contained some very strong chemicals, which could do permanent damage to soft tissues.

## WESTERN FRONT

### PATROL ACTIVITY IN BITTER COLD

PARIS, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Despite the bitter cold, there has been great activity at night on the Western Front.

Reconnaissance parties were particularly energetic west of the Vosges foothills, where several German patrols crept up to French posts, attacking them with hand-grenades.

### FRENCH REPLY

The French replied with bombs and the fighting attracted artillery fire, which lit up the snow-covered countryside with brilliant flashes.

French patrols are active near the Luxembourg frontier attacking German posts with bombs and rifle fire at one point a French "Groupe Franc" (picked raiding party) penetrated the German lines and brought back a wounded prisoner.

Air activity on both sides has been silent.

### MANY ENCOUNTERS

PARIS, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Patrols on both sides were active during the night on the Western Front. Yesterday morning's French communiqué says there were encounters at many points and artillery on both sides repeatedly intervened.

### HEAVY SNOWFALLS

PARIS, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Heavy snow on the Western Front caused even patrols to cease activity during the night. Aeroplanes on both sides remained grounded.

adds that thirty-five members of the crew, out of thirty-seven were rescued.

### SALE OF U.S. SHIPS

The Governor-General of New Zealand announced that his term of office will probably be extended owing to the war. He was to have left early in the new year. (Reuter)

### BRITISH ARMY STRENGTH

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—According to military correspondents if a proclamation shortly calls up for registration further age groups up to twenty-eight Britain's Army would reach a strength of at least 2,500,000.

This does not take into account the other armed forces or contributions by the Dominions, India, and the Colonies.

## Another I.R.A. Outrage

### BOMB THROWN AT FIRE STATION

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—A bomb thrown into the Londonderry Central Fire station last night shattered the windows, wrecked the ceiling of the fire-engine shed and slightly damaged one engine, but nobody was hurt.

It is believed that the outrage is the报复 for the men from this fire station having, under Police instructions, turned the hoses on Republican prisoners to quell the disturbance in Londonderry Gaol on Christmas Day.

## America Urged To Seek A "Reasonable Solution" Of Sino-Japanese Problem

NEW YORK, DEC. 12 (HAVAS BY AIRMAIL)—THE INFLUENTIAL NEWSPAPER, THE "JOURNAL OF COMMERCE," STRONGLY ADVISED THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGAINST TAKING ANY MEASURES THAT MIGHT CURTAIL EXTENSIVE TRADE RELATIONS BETWEEN AMERICA AND JAPAN.

The paper said that drastic action by Washington would only serve to strengthen the "extremist element" in Japan. Rather than this, the Government should seek a "reasonable solution" of Sino-Japanese relations, the paper urged.

If the United States Government is intent upon playing a constructive role in the Far East, following the expiration of the 1911 treaty, extremist Japanese factions may merely be strengthened so that the outcome would be the opposite of the reasonable Sino-Japanese settlement that is desired in Washington.

## WANG ON NEED FOR NATIONAL STATUS IN CHINA

SHANGHAI, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—What China urgently needs is an assured national status for independence, liberty and equality.

Until she secures these she will not be able to share with Japan the responsibility for the stability and peace in East Asia," declared Wang Ching-wei in a New Year message

steps are taken by this country to be issued yesterday.

### CHINA'S INDEPENDENCE

"Such a solution must recognize China's political independence, but should also reflect the desirability of close economic collaboration between the two great Far Eastern nations.

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Beginning from January 1 next year, Dr. Kung revealed, transit duty on native goods will be abolished, as a stimulant to domestic trade.

Dr. Kung in the concluding part of his message mentioned that the fluctuation in the exchange value of the National dollar and dismissed the question as not worth much attention because the fluctuations were due to black market manipulations common to almost all countries and did not mean a change in the real value of the dollar.

Dr. Kung mentioned that the rising cost in the interior was due to communication difficulties and is not a common phenomenon. The Government, furthermore, has ordered remedial measures to be taken and it is expected the rising prices will soon be checked.

The Income Tax Department has received from the Halifax Building Society a cheque for £600,000 income tax, two months before it was due.

#### HONG KONG TIDE TABLE From 3 to 9 Jan. 1940.

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER

Days of Week	Date of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Hong Kong High Water	Hong Kong Standard Time	Hong Kong High Water
		High	Low	High	Low
Wed.	3	6.31	5.3	(9.25)	2.8
	4	16.30	5.9	22.10	3.4
Thur.	4	04.55	4.7	10.17	3.0
	5	17.56	6.4	—	—
Fri.	5	06.33	4.4	00.27	2.7
	6	18.19	6.6	11.12	3.4
Sat.	6	07.55	4.4	01.35	2.1
	7	19.03	7.0	12.06	3.5
Sun.	7	04.57	4.5	09.20	1.6
Mon.	8	0.45	4.5	12.42	3.5
Tues.	9	21.34	7.5	13.38	3.5
		10.2	4.6	03.56	1.0
		21.15	7.6	14.20	3.4

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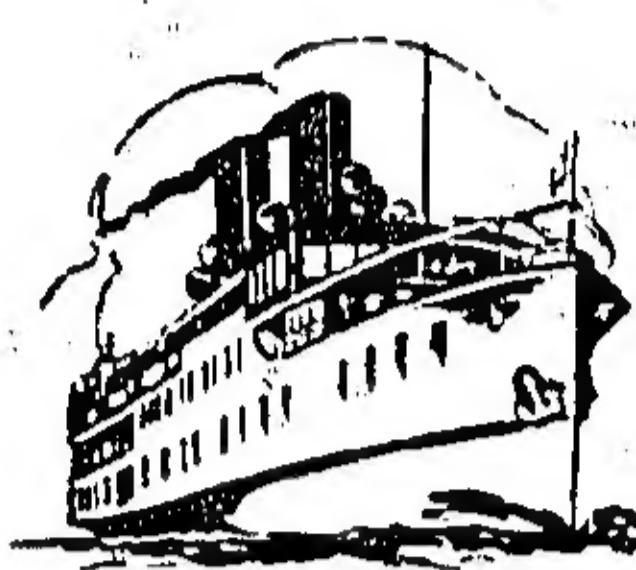
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### ROYAL NAVY HALF-YEARLY PROMOTIONS

The Admiralty announces that the following promotions have been made, all to date from December 31, 1939, except where otherwise stated:

Commander to Captain (20)—L. W. H. D. Friedberger, G. F. Stevens-Guille, J. S. Bethell, M. H. Eveleigh, C. C. Hughe-Hallett, J. L. Storer, J. W. Farquhar, D. Gilmour, R. K. Dickson, J. G. Bickford, H. S. Murray-Smith, E. B. K. Stevens, J. W. Josselyn, The Hon. E. Pleydell-Bouverie, D. M. Lees, J. A. S. Eccles, S. L. Bateson, F. R. Parham, C. A. E. Stanfield, F. V. McLaughlin.

Lieutenant Commander to Commander (36)—C. W. Sabine, P. H. E. Welby-Everard, J. G. Farrant, C. E. Glasfurd, E. P. Hinton, A. V. Walker, S. A. M. Else, E. O. F. Price, J. R. Westmacott, H. L. Jenkins, R. L. Fisher, R. W. Moul, C. F. J. Davies, R. G. Swallow, L. C. Ranaid, E. H. Thomas, B. J. De St. Croix, H. Norman, A. St. Clair-Ford, P. H. Hadow, R. D. Watson, P. Q. Roberts, G. G. Colville, E. O. Unwin, G. Thistleton-Smith, P. L. Collard, D. B. Wybourn, V. D. E. Donaldson, G. H. Beale, J. A. W. Tothill, Sir Charles E. Madden, G. A. Rotherham, C. R. S. Parquhar, G. K. Collett, G. A. F. Norfolk, H. S. Falcon-steward.

Lieutenant Commander to Commander (A) (2)—J. F. M. Robertson, J. H. F. Burroughs.

Engineer Commander to Engineer Captain (1)—W. T. A. Jordan.

Commander (E) to Captain (E) (4)—L. H. Heath, J. I. Moore, L. R. Ricardo, T. E. Docksey.

Lieutenant Commander (E) to Commander (E) (11)—A. J. H. Goodwin, G. O. Marsh, L. Fogell-Elliott, J. A. W. Furze, C. R. W. Bolt, L. F. Ingram, F. J. S. Fox, C. W. Jones, D. S. Holt-Wilson, H. C. Brown, T. O. Bachhouse.

Surgeon Commander to Surgeon Captain (3)—M. B. MacLeod, R. A. W. Ford both to date November, 1939, C. H. M. Gimlette.

Surgeon Lieutenant Commander (D) to Surgeon Commander (D) (1)—D. C. Eclington.

Paymaster Commander to Paymaster Captain (2)—A. G. Bath, R. A. Hawkesworth.

Paymaster Lieutenant Commander to Paymaster Commander (5)—P. J. A. Moore, A. J. V. Chubb, A. R. P. Brown, C. H. Nicholson, R. Bailey.

Instructor Commander to Instructor Captain (1)—A. A. Grant, to date January 1, 1940.

**ROYAL MARINES**

Major to Brevet Lieutenant Colonel (1)—V. D. Thomas.

**ROYAL NAVAL RESERVE**

Commander to Captain (2)—A. V. Radcliffe, J. Gates.

Lieutenant Commander to Commander (5)—Y. M. Cleaves, G. W. Couch, A. H. H. Griffiths, A. Machie, W. Ireland.

Lieutenant Commander (E) to Commander (E) (1)—J. W. W. Boosey.

Paymaster Lieutenant Commander to Paymaster Commander (2)—N. B. W. Rose, P. H. Carr.

**ROYAL NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE**

Surgeon Lieutenant Commander to Surgeon Commander (2)—R. R. B. Roberts, J. A. Kerr.

Surgeon Lieutenant Commander (D) to Surgeon Commander (D) (1)—G. R. D. Hankinson.

**COMMONWEALTH LIST**

The following promotions have been announced by the Commonwealth Naval Board:

Commander to Captain (1)—E. A. Showers.

Lieutenant Commander to Commander (3)—L. C. Tozer, W. H. Martin, A. E. Buchanan.

Lieutenant Commander (E) to Commander (E) (1)—H. G. D. Oliver.

Paymaster Commander to Paymaster Captain (1)—R. C. Negus.

Paymaster Lieutenant Commander to Paymaster Commander (1)—P. Perry.

**PLANES OVER HOLLAND**

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—

It is officially announced that several planes of unknown nationality last night passed over North Friesland. Anti-aircraft guns opened fire and the planes disappeared.

The Ministry of Transport has resumed giving driving tests. Seven thousand applications for ten have been received since the beginning of December. (Reuter).

## Earthquake Followed By Disastrous Floods

ISTANBUL, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Following earthquakes and floods, the Turkish people today were hit by a third natural disaster many as Turkish ships. It is feared, were lost in terrific storms in the Black Sea.

The small British-built Istanbul steamer Turkan is reported sunk with her crew of twenty.

President Ineun left Erzincan for Silvan and Tokat, where he will continue to supervise rescue work. The milder weather has aroused hopes that the most urgent relief work and burial of the dead will be completed within ten days.

**EARTHQUAKE IN YUGOSLAVIA**

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—According to the German Radio, an earthquake yesterday seriously damaged several buildings in Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia, but there were no casualties.

ISTANBUL, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Following the earthquake in East and North Anatolia comes news of disastrous floods in parts of Turkey that escaped the ravages of the former catastrophe.

In Smyrna, Brum and Adrianople districts, rivers have overflowed their banks and human beings as well as cattle and crops have been swept away.

**MORE SHOCKS**

A message from Ankara adds four rivers overflowed and that many were drowned.

In the earthquake devastated areas, planes are being used to drop food supplies and medical necessities.

It is feared the shocks will continue for about six months.

**PRESIDENT'S VISIT**

ISTANBUL, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—President Ineun arrived at the earthquake devastated city of Erzincan, accompanied by the Ministers of Health and the Interior and the Inspector-General of the Army.

The President immediately started a tour of the wrecked quarters of the city and later had conference with the authorities and issued orders for accelerating assistance to the survivors.

**DEVASTATING FLOODS**

Meantime reports continue to arrive showing the devastating nature of the floods in the Brusa region and the plains of Karadagib, Kemal-Pasha and Manissaon line from Smyrna to the Sea of Marmara and also in the area of the Izmild Gult, where the naval base is situated.

The waters in many places have reached a depth of six feet and the populations of twenty villages have taken refuge in the mountains, while five-hundred people are marooned in isolated hamlets.

**CHINESE SYMPATHY**

CHUNGKING, Jan. 2 (Central)—Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, on December 31 sent a message to the President of the Turkish Republic Ismet Inonu extending sympathy for the losses sustained in the earthquake disaster.

On the same day two delegates of the Chinese Mohammedans' National Salvation Association called on Mr. Eminali Sipahi, Turkish Minister to China, to express sympathy on behalf of all the Chinese Mohammedans.

**NAZI COMMAND CLAIMS**

BERLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—A High Command communiqué claims that the warplanes which flew over the Shetland Islands on January 1 returned with valuable information.

It admitted that one German machine came down in the sea.

It also claimed that one British machine was badly damaged and "probably did not succeed to return to its base."

**NO TRUTH**

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—Reuters correspondent was informed at the Air Ministry that there was no truth in the report that a British plane was hit. All British aircraft returned safely.

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**TOURISTS REPORT**

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter)—The British steamer Boxhill (5,677 tons) was sunk in the North Sea yesterday following an explosion. Twelve of the crew of thirty-two and one body were landed at a north-east coast port. It is feared that the other nineteen are lost.

## FOREIGN MAIRS

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 3RD JANUARY, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### BROADCAST RECEIVING LICENCES

Holders of licences are reminded that if it is desired to continue to retain possession of the apparatus after the date of expiration of the licence a renewal must be effected without delay.

New Licences will be available at the Government Radio Office, G.P.O. Building, First Floor, on ordinary business days, and will be issued against the receipt of a remittance of \$12.00, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. except on Saturdays when licences will be issued between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Applications may be made:

(a) personally,

(b) by messenger,

(c) by post.

It is essential under (c) and preferable under (a) and (b) that applications should be accompanied by crossed Cheque payable to Hong Kong Government. The new licence will then be sent by post or messenger as soon as it is ready. Where actual cash is tendered a new licence should be received in exchange before leaving the Licensing Office.

In the case of renewal the old licence should be returned with the application.

## INWARD MAIRS

From

Due

Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date 27th December.

3rd Jan.

Australia and Manila.

3rd Jan.

Japan.

3rd Jan.

Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"

London date, 27th Dec.

Shanghai

4th Jan.

Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai—(Vancouver B.C.) date 16th December.

4th Jan.

Japan and Shanghai.

4th Jan.

Canton

5th Jan.

Shanghai

5th Jan.

Fomosa and Swatow.

5th Jan.

Calcutta and Straits.

5th Jan.

Shanghai